

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

Claim 1 (currently amended): An isolated nucleic acid ~~comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding an *A. fumigatus* polypeptide selected from the group~~ consisting of SEQ ID NO: 42779.

Claim 2 (original): A recombinant expression vector comprising the nucleic acid of claim 1 operably linked to a transcription regulatory element.

Claim 3 (previously amended): An isolated host cell comprising a recombinant expression vector of claim 2.

Claim 4 (original): A method for producing an *A. fumigatus* polypeptide comprising culturing a cell of claim 3 under conditions that permit expression of the polypeptide.

Claim 5 (currently amended): An isolated nucleic acid ~~comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding an *A. fumigatus* polypeptide or a fragment thereof, said nucleic acid selected from the group~~ consisting of SEQ ID NO: 20623.

Claim 6 (original): A recombinant expression vector comprising the nucleic acid of claim 5 operably linked to a transcription regulatory element.

Claim 7 (previously amended): An isolated host cell comprising a recombinant expression vector of claim 6.

Claim 8 (original): A method for producing an *A. fumigatus* polypeptide comprising culturing a cell of claim 7 under conditions that permit expression of the polypeptide.

Claim 9 (currently amended): An isolated probe comprising a nucleotide sequence consisting of at least forty contiguous nucleotides of a nucleotide sequence ~~selected from the group~~ consisting of SEQ ID NO: 20623.

Claim 10 (currently amended): An isolated nucleic acid comprising a nucleotide sequence of at least forty contiguous nucleotides in length, wherein the sequence is hybridizable to a nucleic acid having a nucleotide sequence ~~selected from the group~~ consisting of SEQ ID NO: 20623.

Claims 11-28 (cancelled)